

1904, art. 43, sec. 51. 1898, ch. 436, sec. 34 b.

64. Whenever any physician knows that any person whom he is called to visit is infected with small-pox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, typhus fever, yellow fever, measles, whooping cough or any other contagious or infectious disease dangerous to public health, he shall immediately give notice thereof in writing over his own signature to the board of health of the city, town or county in which such disease exists; and if he refuses or neglects to give such notice he shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars.

Ibid. sec. 52. 1898, ch. 436, sec. 34 c.

65. The boards of health in the several cities, towns and counties shall cause a record to be kept of all reports received in pursuance of sections 63 and 64, and such record shall contain the names of all persons who are sick with infectious or contagious diseases, the localities in which they live, the disease with which they are affected, together with the date and the names of the persons reporting any such cases, and the record of quarantine, isolation, disinfection and other preventive measures. The board of health shall give the school boards of their respective counties, cities or towns immediate information of all cases of infectious or contagious disease reported to them, according to the provisions of this sub-title.

Ibid. sec. 53. 1898, ch. 436, sec. 34 d.

66. When any board of health has had notice of the occurrence within its sanitary jurisdiction of a case of small-pox or any other contagious or infectious disease dangerous to public health, such board of health shall, within twenty-four hours after the receipt of such notice, notify the state board of health of the same.

Ibid. sec. 54. 1898, ch. 436, sec. 34 e. 1908, ch. 399.

67. All questions of doubt concerning the cause or nature of any sickness believed or suspected to be of an infectious or contagious character shall be referred to the state board of health, and the said board shall be authorized to employ a competent bacteriologist and assistant bacteriologist and such other employees as may be necessary to render effective the provisions of this section; to conduct inquiries into the nature, source and vehicles of infectious diseases. The services of the bacteriologist of the state board of health shall be free to all local boards of health and to all practicing physicians in the State for such inquiries concerning infectious and contagious diseases as the said board may from time to time direct, and to the state vaccine agent for testing vaccine virus; and the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars annually, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be paid by the treasurer of the State upon the warrant of the comptroller, at such times and in such sums as may be authorized by the state board of health upon presentation of the proper vouchers for expenses.